## **MINUTES**

## DODGE COUNTY LIBRARY PLANNING COMMITTEE

## November 15, 2016

- 1. <u>Call to order & Roll Call</u>: The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Alex Harvancik at 1:30 p.m. Present were, Tracy Scheffler, Alixe Bielot, MaryAnn Miller and Mike Gelhausen. Absent: None. Others, County Administrator Jim Mielke, and Amy Birtell, Eastern Shores Library System Director.
- 2. Public Comment: None
- 3. <u>Consideration of Minutes: November 1, 2016</u>: Motion by Gelhausen,, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scheffler to approve the November 1, 2016 minutes as presented. Motion carried.
- 4. Review, Consider, Take Action Regarding Proposed Addendum to the Plan for Library Service:
  Committee Chair Harvancik stated the goal is to adopt an addendum to the current Plan for Library Service to reflect the recent system merger followed by having the full Plan reviewed and updated in 2017. Motion by Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bielot to adopt the proposed addendum to acknowledge the Mid-Wisconsin Federated Library System Merger. Motion carried.

Addendum: At the beginning of 2016, the Mid-Wisconsin System began merger discussions with the Eastern Shores Library System, which included Sheboygan and Ozaukee Counties. A Joint Merger Committee with representatives from both systems determined that a merger creating a new four-county operation was in the best operational and financial interests of the two systems. A Final Report recommending a merger was released on June 16, 2016. This merger recommendation was first approved by both system boards, and was then approved by the Dodge County Board of Supervisors with a unanimous vote supporting the Merger Resolution #16-24 on July 19, 2016. The three other impacted counties approved similar resolutions, and the Monarch Library System will officially replace MWFLS and ESLS effective January 1, 2017. The Dodge County Planning Committee will do a full review and update to this county library plan during 2017.

5. Adjourn: Motion by Scheffler, second by Miller to adjourn. Motion carried. Time: 1:58 p.m.

Next meeting Date: Tuesday February 7, 2017

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